

Dear Members of the FCC,

I have just heard of the absurd proposition to relax rules regarding cell phone use aboard commercial airliners.

As a flight attendant, I cannot even imagine this. As it is. it is almost impossible to do an exit row briefing, as we are always waiting for someone to finish a conversation on a cell phone. People in the economy cabin are in a bad mood when they get on the plane, knowing they will be "locked" in a center seat, and further cramped by too much carry-on baggage. We already have problems because someone wants the windowshade down so that he can sleep, and the next person wants it up, so that he can look outside. We almost had a fist fight on my last flight because a businessman was trying to sleep and the mother of a crying baby.

I can think of nothing more aggravating than being in a public place, like a restaurant, retail store, bus or train and having to endure someone's inane conversation on a cell phone.

Even to consider allowing this to go on at 35,000 feet in a closed aircraft, is ridiculous and totally unthinkable.

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